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New Fall Skirts at Bargain Prices.

Not reduced prices by any means, as the Skirts only reached us last week.

They are sample Skirts of a big manufacturer whose salesmen have just come in from the road. No use to him any more as samples, so ready cash bought them much under the price of the garments they represented.

As for the tailoring—you know, of course, that the best always goes into the samples. Nearly all of them are Walking Skirts—

\$7.00 for \$10.00 values. \$4.50 for \$7.00 values. \$5.00 for \$8.00 values. \$3.75 for \$6.00 values.

A Fine Showing of New Fall Suits.

The New Fall Suits were under inspection yesterday, and the favorable comments were many.

The long coat style is to be very popular—many of them with flat collars. There's a considerable flare to the Skirts, both in dress and walking lengths. Novelty weaves are numerous this fall, but the solid colors are on an even footing with them—especially black, which never fails of popular favor.

\$12.50 to \$35.00, with the prices pretty evenly distributed in between.

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Social and Personal

September, the first autumn month, makes its advent to-day. The dahlias are one of the gorgeously hued September flowers, and florists' windows and market places are splendid with the wealth of color.

Mr. Mark Thompson's garden, within easy suburban reach, is just now a real treat to the eye. Mr. Thompson takes great pride in his dahlias, and as he has a number of new varieties this year, besides two thousand hybrids that are just coming into bloom, the effect of such a bewildering variety of this can be better imagined than described. The pink and rose varieties, the rich velvety crimson, the vivid red, the yellow in daffodil and nasturtium effects, the variegated and white are familiar joys, but a green dahlia—very double and looking like an emerald—is a new beauty whose acquaintance must be cultivated.

Mr. Thompson is to be much congratulated for such a result in his dahlia farming. His new color, "Kato Greenaway," is a new color, and is suggested that a good name might make it called "Kato Greenaway."

Mr. Thompson is herself a dahlia collector. She mixes her shades for lavish use. Her suns dye the golden rod with a deeper glow, and though as yet the roses are not in full, there is in all the atmosphere the promise of a coming change that should have been hanging in the air. The autumn tapestries of yellow and russet and flame.

With the first autumn days come the distant echo of September wedding bells. A. B. Eichel and Company, a well known and popular young gentlemen of this city, left last night with his brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Eichel, for Carlyle, Pennsylvania, where his marriage to Miss Nina Berg, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hermann Berg, will take place to-morrow, in Assembly Hall, that city.

The bride, who is a most attractive young lady, and who has many friends in Richmond, will have as her maid of honor, her sister, Miss Selma Berg. The bridesmaids will be Misses Mary S. Binswanger, of Richmond; Mr. William Binswanger, of St. Joseph, Mo.; Mr. William Goodyear and Mr. Hermann Berg, of Carlyle.

The wedding will be followed by a handsome reception, after which Mr. and Mrs. Eichel will leave for their home in Carlyle, Pa. They will be temporarily at home at No. 402 East Clay Street, on their return to Richmond.

Captain and Mrs. Charles Thomas, of the United States army, stationed at Norfolk harbor, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Emily Thomas, to Lieutenant Henry Yarnell, of the Navy. The date of the marriage is fixed for September 15th, and the young couple will leave for China October 1st.

The marriage of Mr. Edward H. Rhoads, formerly of Middletown, Va., but for several years past the manager of the Columbia Ice Company, in Philadelphia, to Miss Carrie C. Hance, of Norton, Pa., will be celebrated Thursday next, September 3d, in the Methodist Church at Norton.

One of the pleasantest of family reunions is now being celebrated at "Lewiston," near Winchester, the home of the late General Samuel H. Lewis, now owned by Miss Elizabeth Wheat and her brother, Mr. John Wheat.

Mr. Lewis' Wheat, of this city, and two other daughters are at "Lewiston." Other members of the family are Mr. and Mrs. John C. Wheat, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Wheat, of Winchester, Va.; Mrs. Charles C. Wheat and Miss Elizabeth Wheat, of Staunton; Mrs. B. B. Botte, Miss Nellie Botte and Mrs. Rebecca Anderson, of Washington, D. C.; Mr. Minor Hoxey and her son, Minor, of Atlanta, Ga.

"Lewiston" is one of the most famous and hospitable of old Virginia homes.

Miss Beale Shaw, of Atlanta, Ga., is the guest of Mrs. R. L. Smallman, at No. 115 East Franklin Street.

Mr. W. S. Copeland and his daughter, Miss Copeland, will leave for Boston, where they will be the guests of Captain and Mrs. Pignau.

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Engagement RINGS.

We make a specialty of Engagement Rings, which are of the very finest quality. Our stock comprises Solitaire Diamonds of almost every size. Also Rubies, Emeralds, Sapphires, Opals, Pearls, &c., set with diamonds.

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TRADING STAMP CASE

Comes Before the State Supreme Court in Staunton.

STOCK OF NATIONAL BANKS

The Validity of the Tax Imposed by the General Assembly is Disputed—A Question of Timber Seizure for Debt.

Major William A. Anderson, Attorney-General of Virginia, who has been in Lexington for several weeks, accompanied by his assistant, Mr. John S. Eggleston, preparing briefs in some important Federal Supreme Courts, will leave to-day for Staunton to attend the session of the Court of Appeals of Virginia, where he will argue an important case. It is that of Albert E. Young, vs. the Commonwealth, and involves the constitutionality of the month case passed by the General Assembly, session of 1897-98, prohibiting the use of trading stamps, trading checks and other instruments to trade for goods. Young was indicted for violation of the statute, and through counsel, will carry the case to the highest court with a view to determining the validity of the statute. He is represented by Hon. Marshall McCormick, of Berryville, and will make his case by the use of trading stamps in the proper sense. The question involved is whether or not such devices to stimulate trade are in the nature of a lottery. The plaintiff in error claims the contrary, asserting that the element of chance does not enter into the use of trading stamps in the proper sense. The defendant insists that the use of trading stamps is a lottery, and will attempt to uphold the validity of the law.

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT. The Attorney-General and Mr. Eggleston have prepared briefs in two important cases to come before the United States Supreme Court at all terms. These briefs must be filed in September, but the cases will come up for oral argument before the court about December 1st. One of these cases is that of the Associated National Banks of the city of Lynchburg vs. the Auditor of Public Accounts of the State of Virginia, and involves the validity of the law imposing a tax on the stock of national banks. While the banks of Lynchburg are attacking the law, all the national banks of the State are equally interested in the outcome, and may be said to be parties to the case. The brief in this case was filed by Messrs. Hoxey and Lewis, of Lynchburg, and Messrs. Hoxey and Wilson, of Staunton, are counsel for the banks, while Major Anderson will defend the validity of the tax. The brief in the case filed by Messrs. Hoxey and Lewis is a pointed document of ninety-six pages. That of the Attorney-General will not be so voluminous.

SEIZURE OF TIMBER. The other Virginia case before the Supreme Court of the United States is that of the State of Virginia vs. the Company of Southwest Virginia, vs. the treasurer of Virginia. The case involves the question whether the timber on land can be seized and made liable for delinquent taxes, instead of the land itself. The cases involving a question of the legality and constitutionality of the law in the matter of the Virginia election laws will come up before the Federal Court of last resort during the term. The Attorney-General has not yet completed his brief in the two cases, one of which seeks to prevent by injunction the issue of certificates of election to the Virginia Congressmen chosen last November, the other being an effort to secure the same result by means of a writ of prohibition. These are the cases recently argued before the Federal Circuit Court here, Chief Justice Fuller sitting with Judge Edmund Waddill. Captain John S. Wise is associated with James H. Hayes, a negro lawyer of this city, in these cases. Attorney-General Anderson will represent the State without assistance.

ANIMAL STORIES FOR OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

The Dog Who Had His Day. Mr. Hoss and Beedle Dog were great cronies. One never saw them separated. They both belonged to an old farmer, named Serew, who was very poor, but he got all he could out of every one, and spared none.

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